

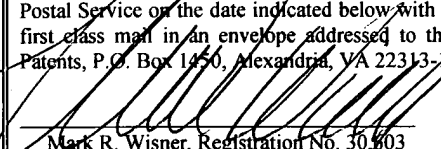


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May 5, 2001	§		
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CELLULOSE FIBERS AND	§		
THEIR USE IN REDUCING	§		
VOC EMISSIONS	§		

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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)

Dear Sir:

This Renewed Petition follows the Decision on Petition mailed in the above-identified application on January 10, 2008. That January 10, 2008 Decision on Petition indicated that Applicants' Petition to Revive filed with a certificate of mailing executed November 9, 2007 was being dismissed subject to a request for reconsideration submitting a proper amendment in response to the May 19, 2003 Official Action and a proper statement as to the unintentional nature of the delay that caused abandonment of the application filed within two months of the January 10, 2008 mailing date of the Decision on Petition.

In response to the Decision on Petition, attached hereto is a listing of the claims showing all amendments made to date incorporated into the claims in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121.

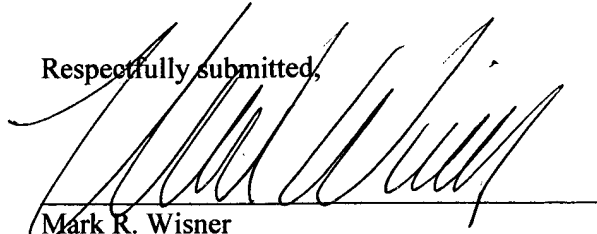
As previously stated, abandonment of this application was unintentional, and Applicant(s) therefore respectfully renews the petition to revive the application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b). As required by Rule 1.137(b)(3), Applicants hereby state that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was unintentional.

As stated at the bottom of page 2 of the Decision on Petition mailed January 10, 2008, no additional fee is required for filing this Renewed Petition. However, in the unexpected event a

fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Wisner & Associates, Account No. 50-0965 (GORA,007-04) in the amount of any necessary fee.

The grant of this Petition to Revive and entry of the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer (if required), the attached listing of the claims, and the Revised Response to Official Action of May 19, 2003, are all respectfully requested. In the event there are questions regarding this filing, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney for Applicant(s) be contacted at the address and phone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,



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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend and/or cancel the claim(s) of the captioned application, and/or add claim(s) to the captioned application, in accordance with the following annotations and/or mark-ups showing all change(s) relative to the previous version(s) of the claim(s) as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.121 (please note that as set out below, the claims include all amendments made in the application to date, including the amendments presented in Applicants' Response to Official Action of May 19, 2003 and Applicants' Revised Response to Official Action of May 19, 2003 (the latter having been filed with a certificate of mailing executed October 12, 2004)):

Claims 1-6 (canceled).

Claim 7. (previously presented) In a method of molding plastic articles using a thermoset resin, the improvement comprising adding a cellulosic material to the resin before curing to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds.

Claim 8. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 wherein said cellulosic material additionally comprises between about 10 and about 50 weight per cent of lignin.

Claim 9. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising applying a coating of the cellulosic material over the mixture of cellulosic material and resin.

Claim 10. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 wherein the resin is a styrene resin and the cellulosic material is applied no later than about ten minutes prior to the onset of the curing reaction.

Claim 11. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 10 wherein the cellulosic material is applied prior to the onset of polymerization of the resin.

Claim 12. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising accelerating the curing of the resin.

Claim 13. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 12 additionally comprising limiting the temperature at which the resin cures.

Claim 14. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising limiting the temperature at which the resin cures.

Claim 15 (canceled).

Claim 16. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 wherein said cellulosic material is selected from the group consisting of cotton burrs, cotton stalks, flax, hemp, jute, cotton seed, rice hulls, wheat straw, corn stalks, peanut

shells, sunflower shells, sunflower stalks, sugar cane, wood flour, wood pulp, sawdust, wood chips, tree bark, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 17. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 wherein said cellulosic material comprises approximately equal parts of particles passing through a 30 mesh screen and particles passing through an 80 mesh screen.

Claim 18. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 wherein said cellulosic material comprises particles in sizes up to approximately 80 mesh.

Claim 19. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising absorbing lignin onto the cellulosic material.

Claim 20. (previously presented) The improved method of claim 7 additionally comprising absorbing onto the cellulosic material one or more primary precursors of lignin, trans-coniferyl, trans-synaptyl, and trans-p-coumaryl alcohol.

Claims 21-22 (Canceled).